

# TCs in Coupled Models at GFDL

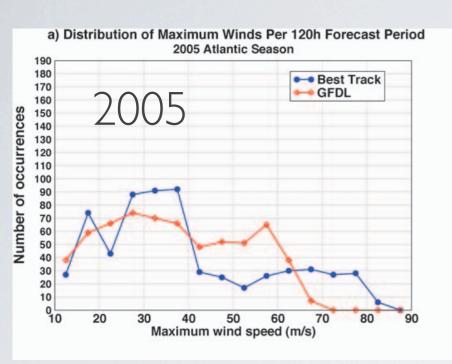
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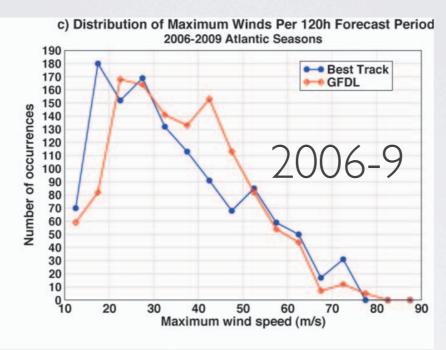
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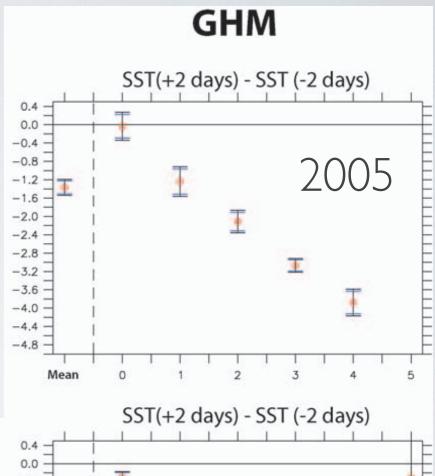
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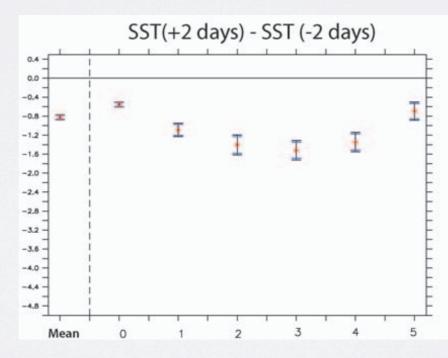
## Improved representation of GOM eddies improves intensity forecast in GFDL model – added after 2005 season

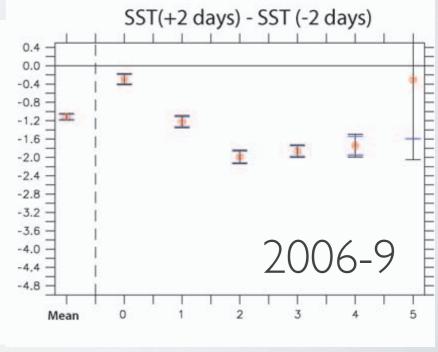






SST change in following TC





Lloyd et al (2011, JAMES), Lloyd and Vecchi (2011, J. Clim.)

### GFDL High Resolution Coupled Model Development

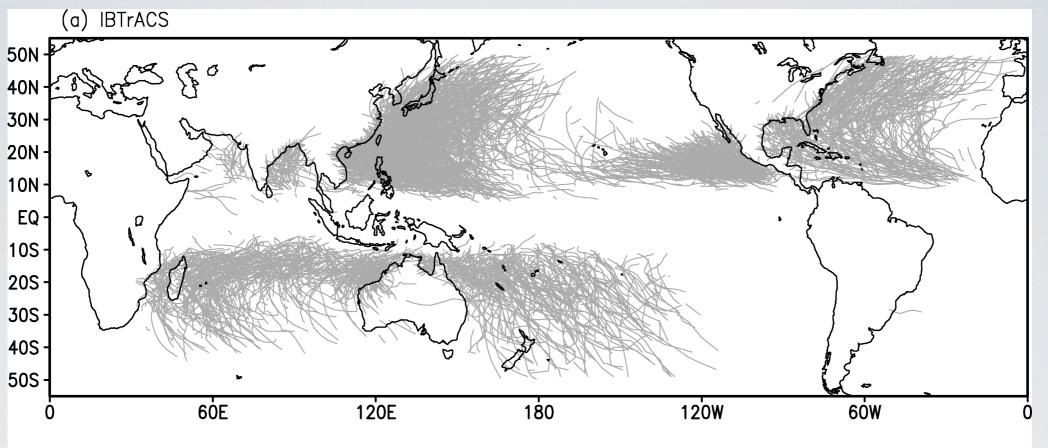
### Scientific Goals:

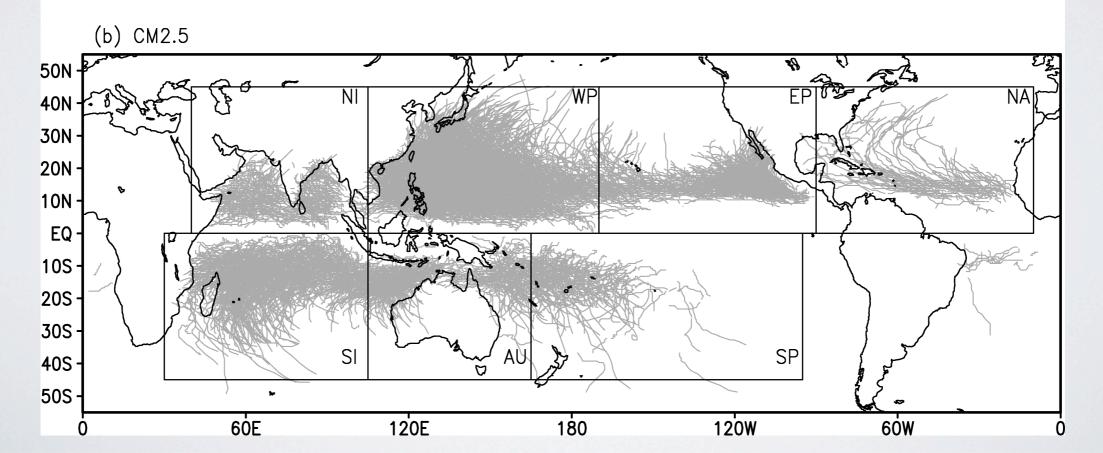
- Developing improved models (higher resolution, improved physics and numerics, reduced bias) for studies of variability and predictability on intraseasonal to decadal time scales
- Explore impact of atmosphere and ocean on climate variability and change using a high resolution coupled model
  - New global coupled models: CM2.4, CM2.5, CM2.6, ...

|       | Ocean    | Atmos  | Computer  | Status  |
|-------|----------|--------|-----------|---------|
| CM2.1 | 100 Km   | 250 Km | GFDL      | Running |
| CM2.3 | 100 Km   | 100 Km | GFDL      | Running |
| CM2.4 | 10-25 Km | 100 Km | GFDL      | Running |
| CM2.5 | 10-25 Km | 50 Km  | GFDL/GAEA | Running |
| CM2.6 | 4-10 Km  | 50 Km  | GAEA      | Running |

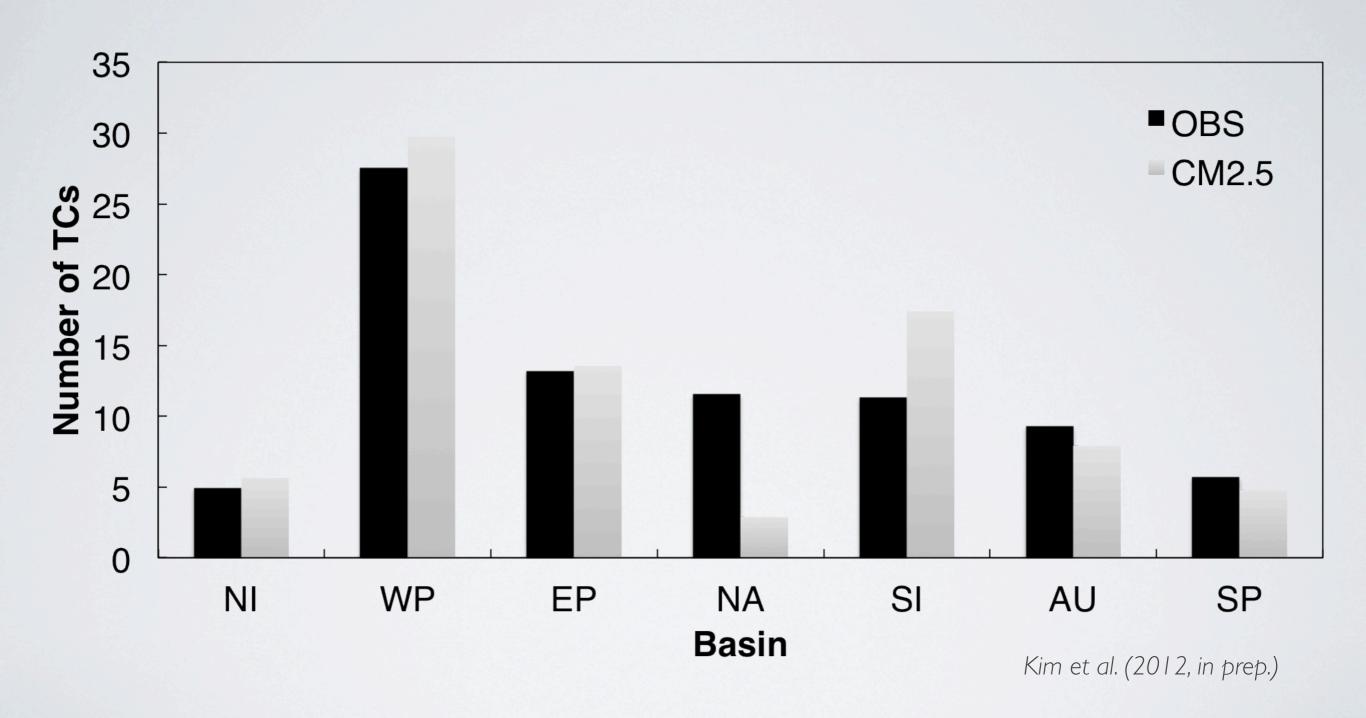
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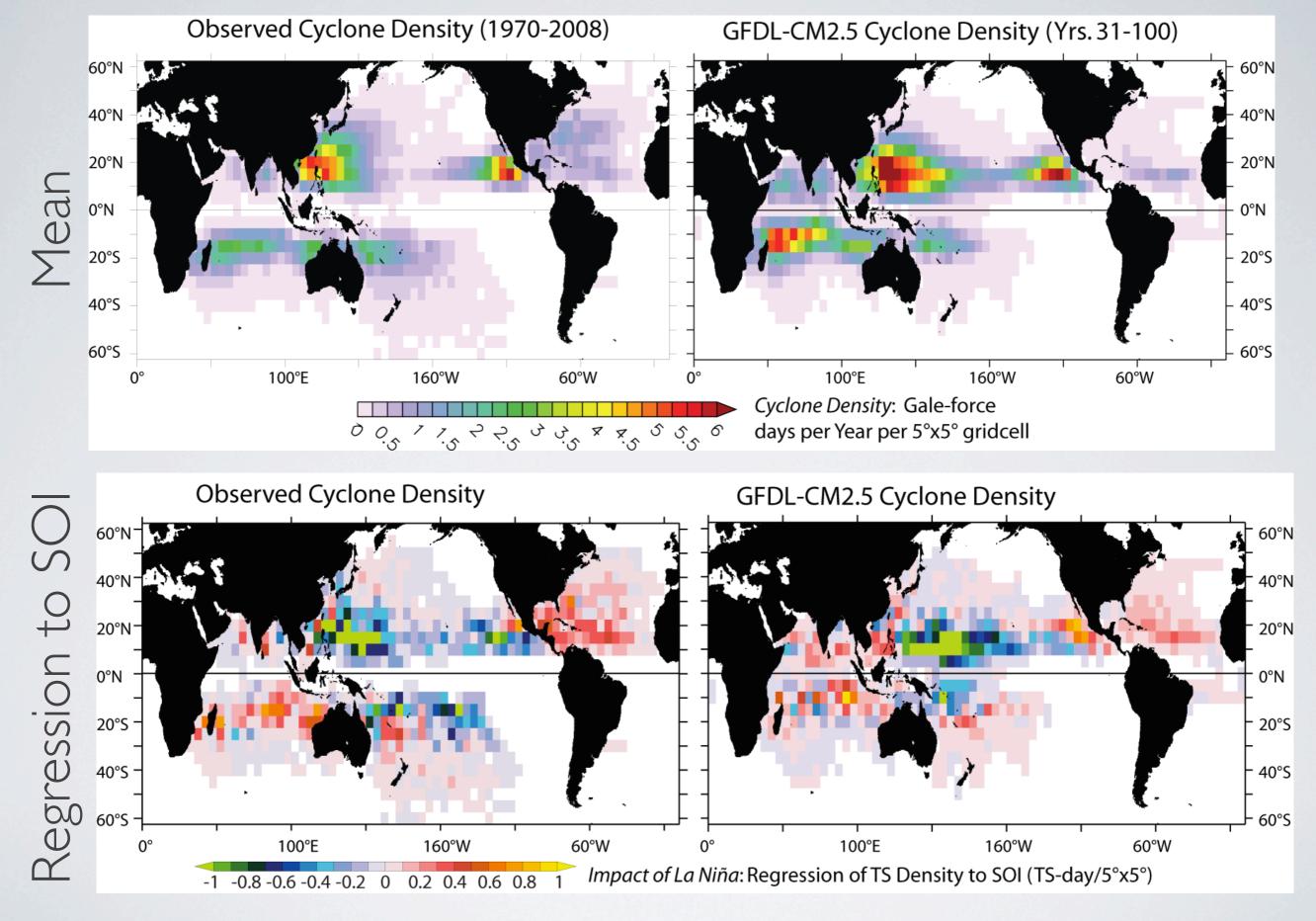




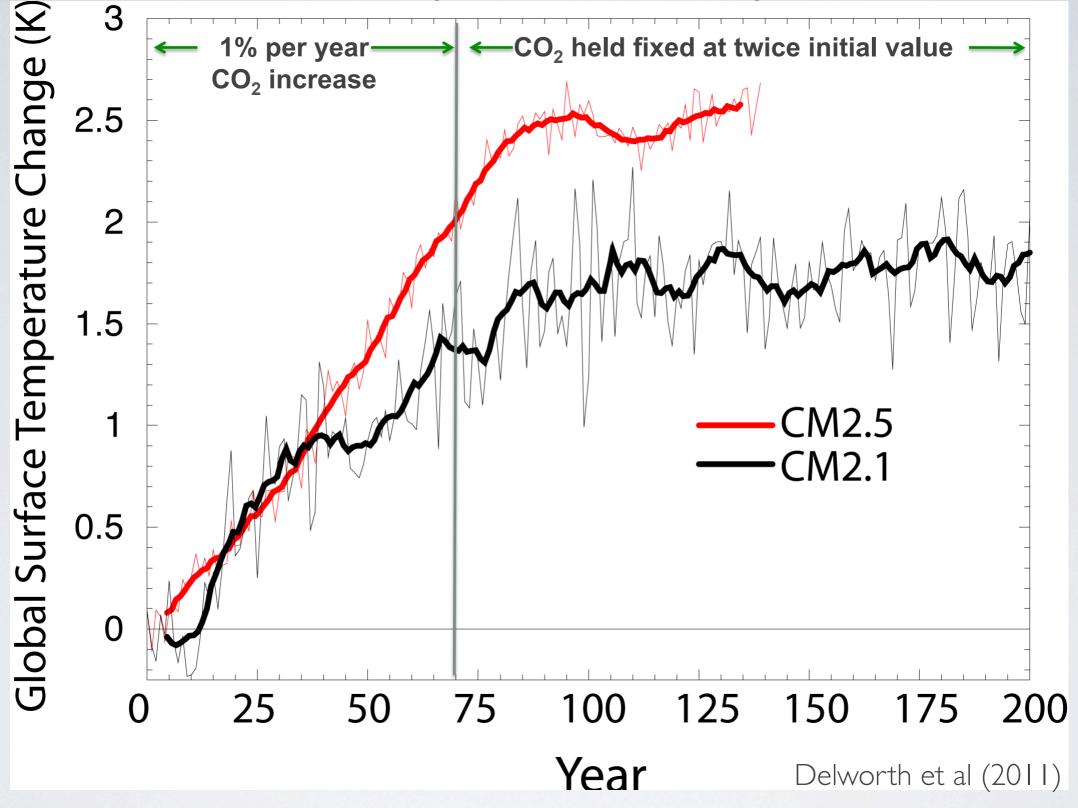


### 50-Year Genesis per Basin

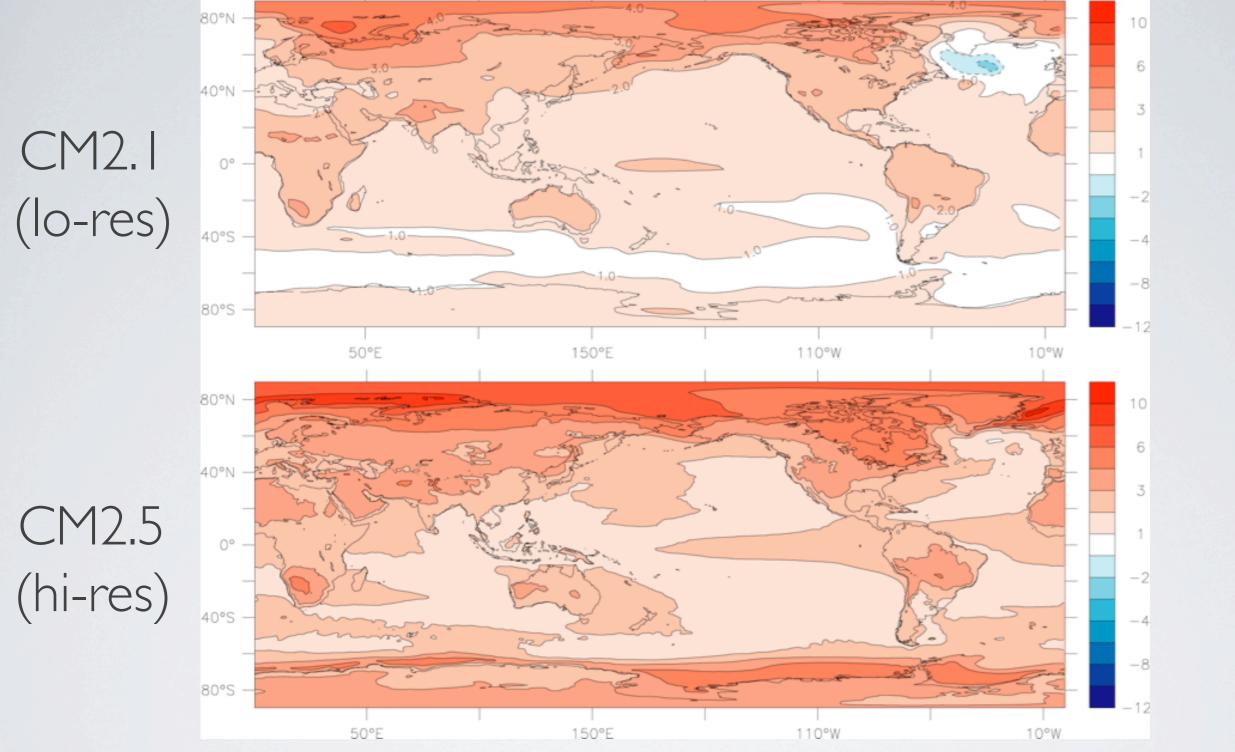




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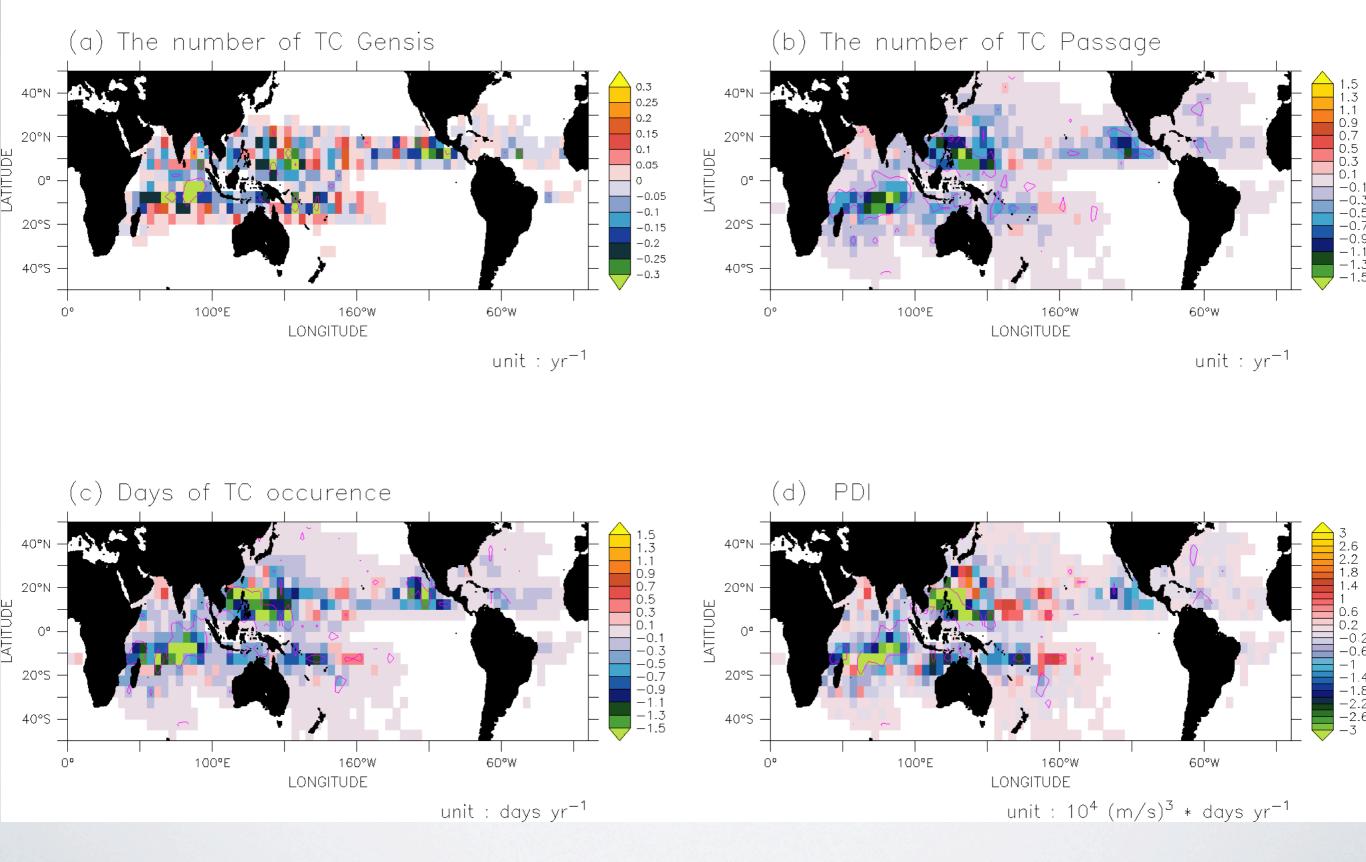


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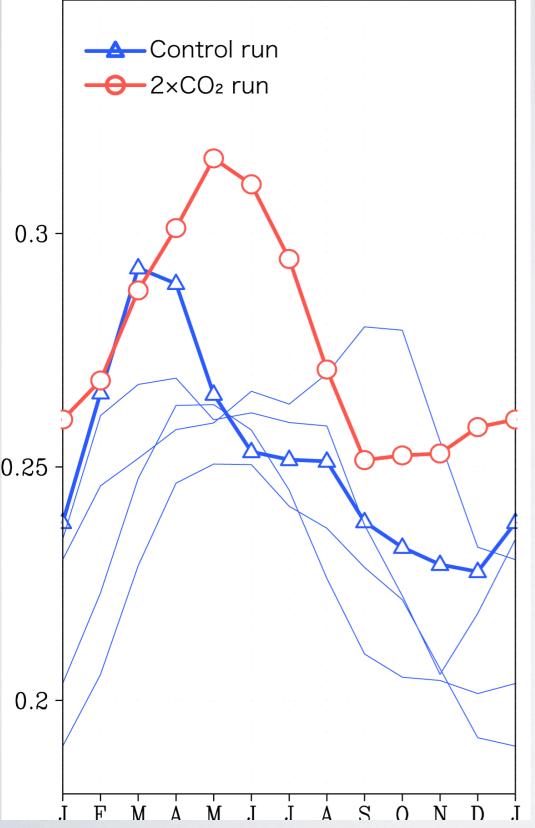


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#### CM2.5 C03 ( 2XC02 minus 1XC02)



(a) Standard deviation of interannual variations of SST averaged in MDR (°C)



In CM2.5, seasonal phaselocking of MDR SSTA variability shifts in response to 2xCO2: interannual variability of Natl TCs increases

|                                | (a) Mean                   | (c) Warm SST <sub>MDR</sub> | (d) Cold SST <sub>MDR</sub> |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
|                                | $\sum_{y=91}^{y=140} f(y)$ | years                       | years                       |
| Observation                    | 6.51                       | +0.95                       | -1.28                       |
|                                |                            |                             |                             |
| CM2.5-Control                  | 6.56                       | +2.12                       | -1.07                       |
| CM2.5-CO <sub>2</sub> doubling | 5.88                       | +2.55                       | -1.42                       |
| CO <sub>2</sub> doubling run   | -0.68                      | +0.43 (+20%)                | -0.35 (-33%)                |
| minus Control run              |                            |                             |                             |

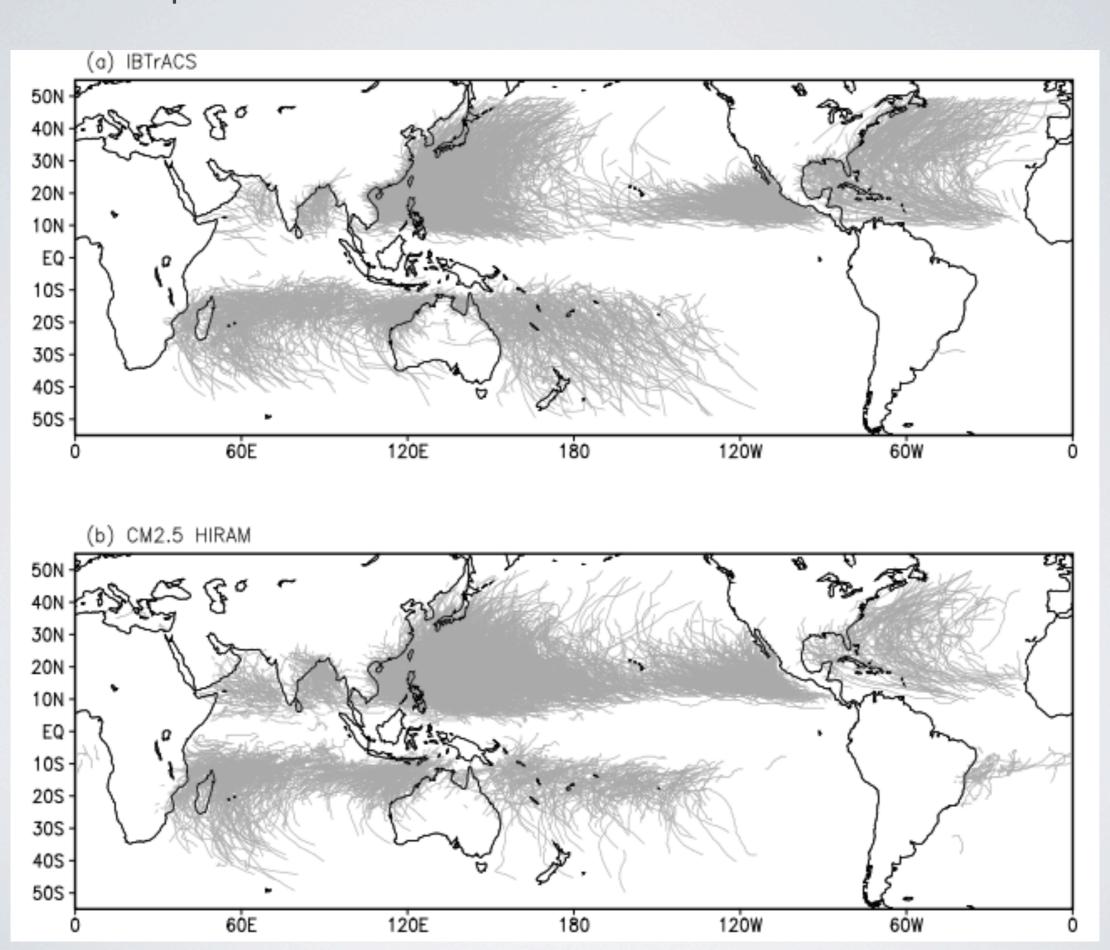
### Thought for addt'l experiment

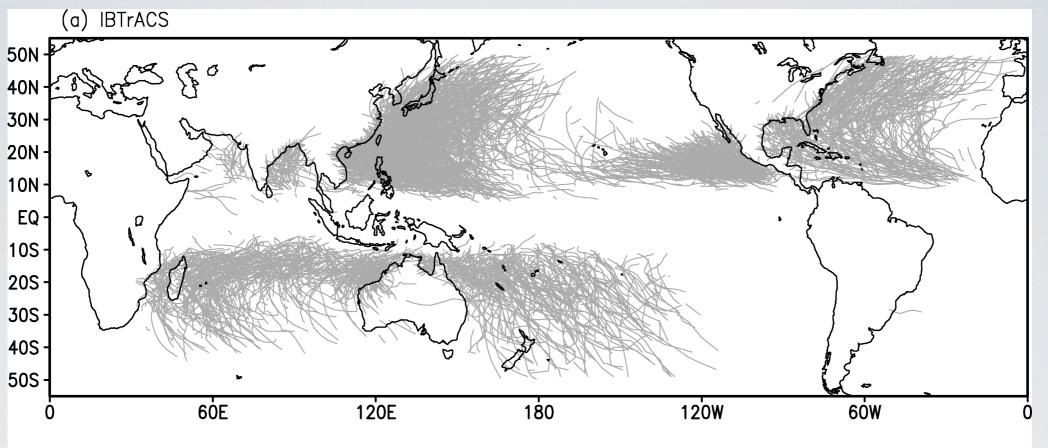
• Force AGCMs with MME pattern of SSTA from coupled models' CO2 response + CO2 doubling in AGCM.

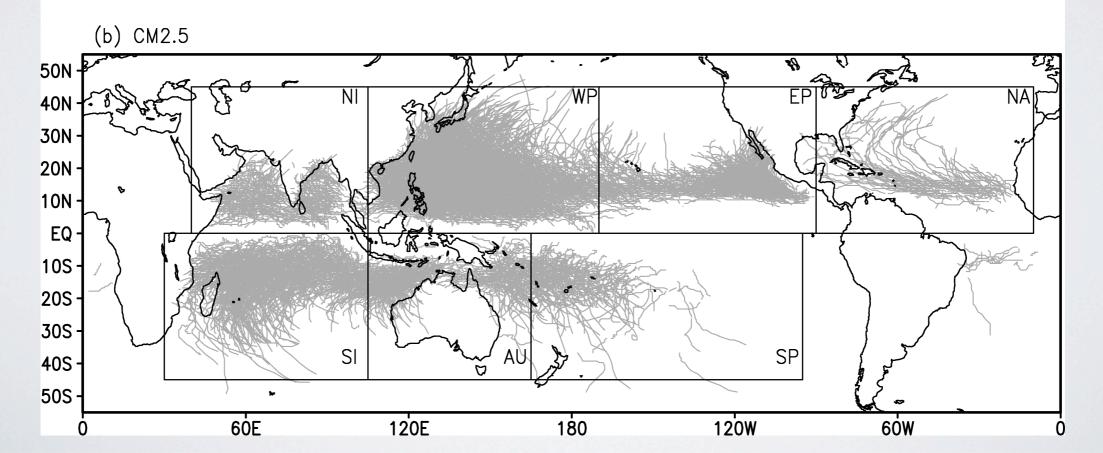
### MME either from:

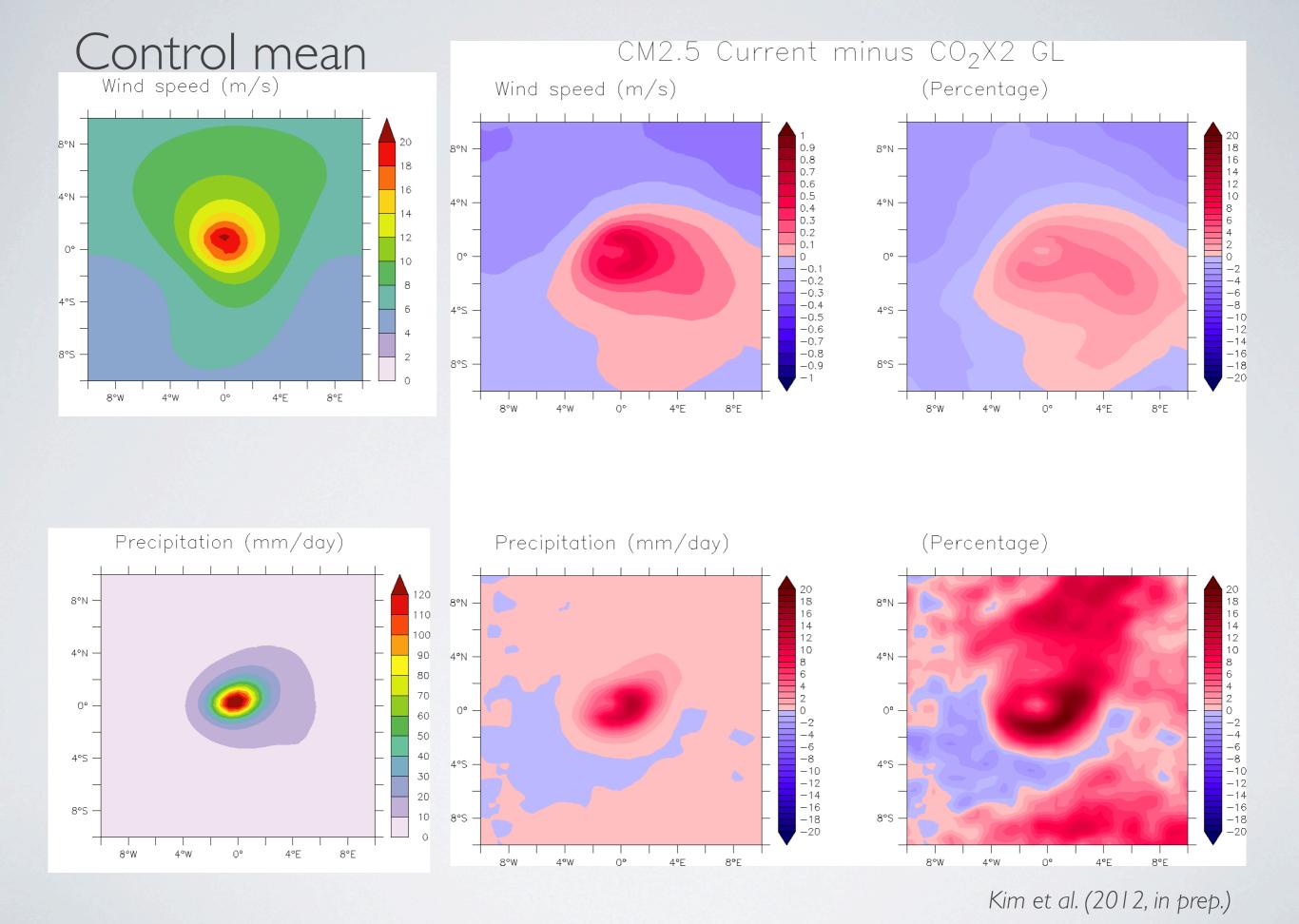
- CMIP3/CMIP5
- High-res CGMCs

### Coupled version of Zhao et al. HiRAM



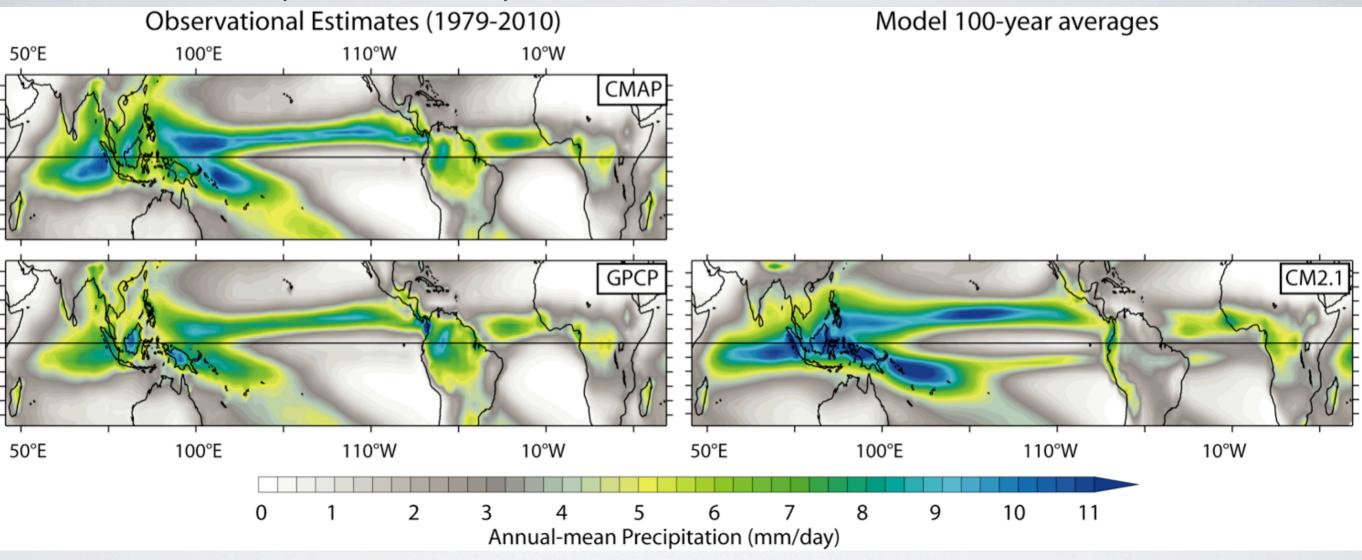






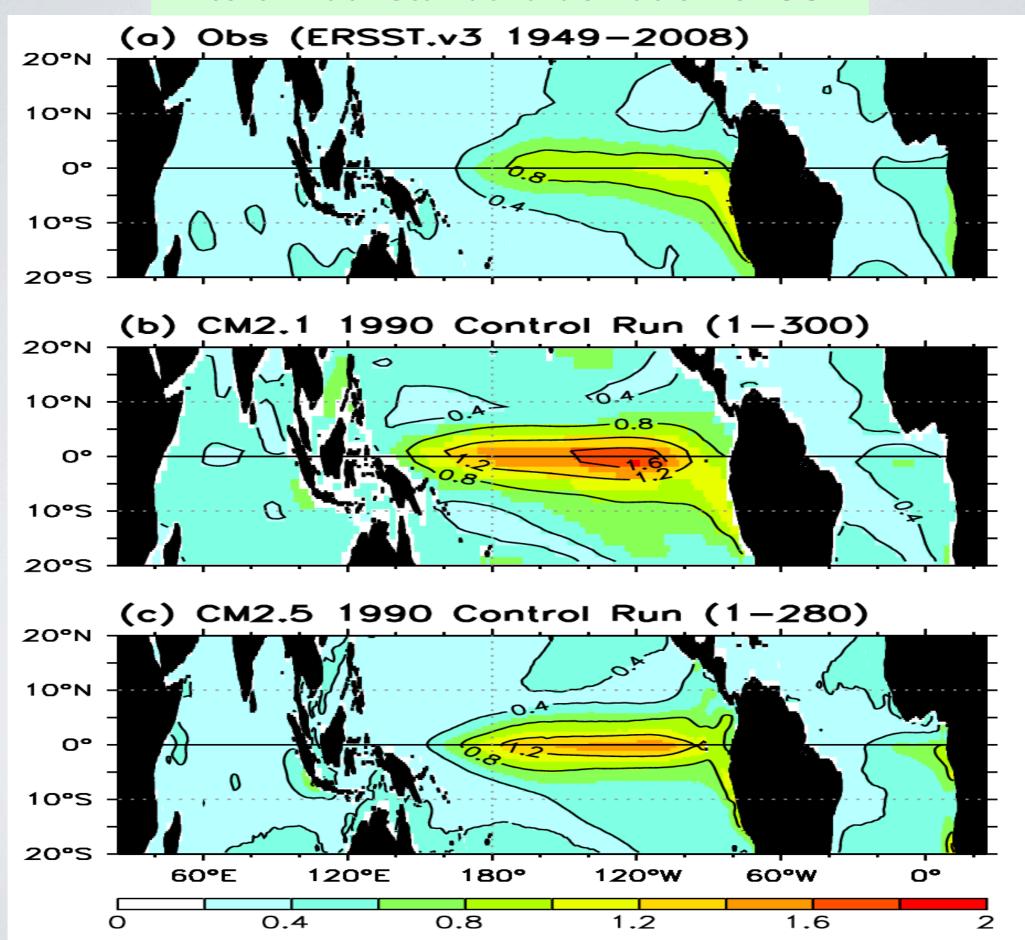
### Some Aspects of Tropical Climate Improve with Resolution

### Annual Tropical Precipitation on 2.5x2.5 Grid



Adapted from Delworth et al (2011)

#### Interannual standard deviation of SST



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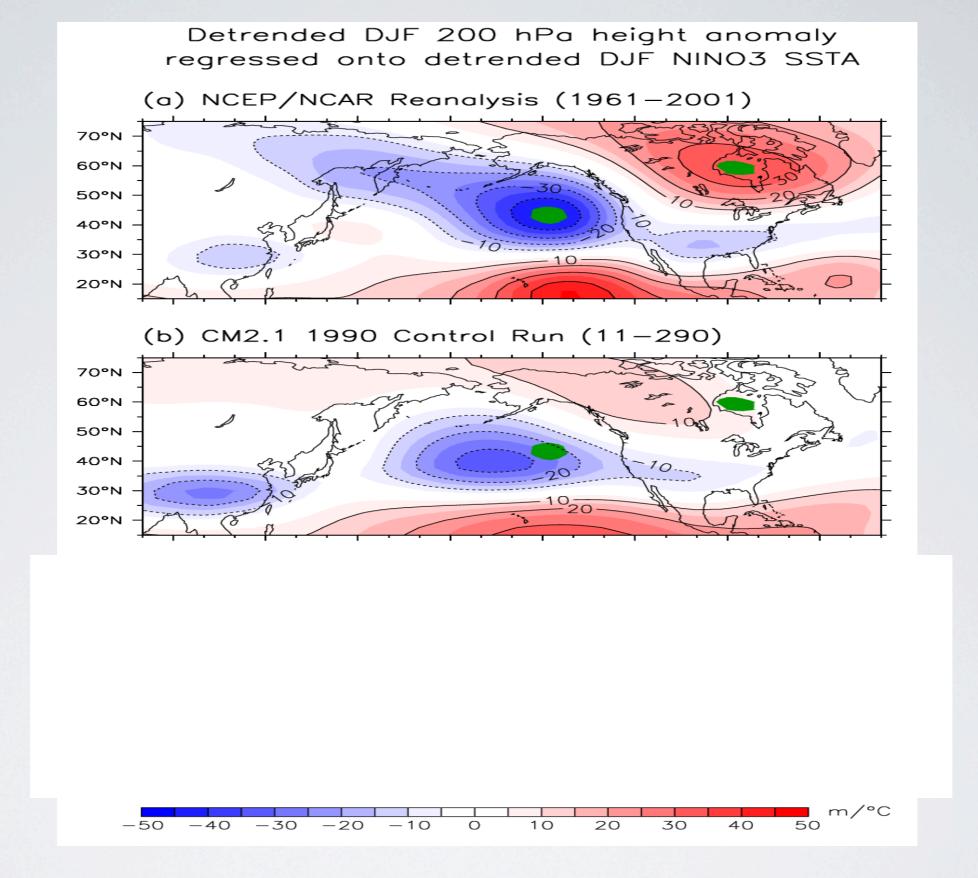


Figure 17 DJF 200-hPa geopotential height anomalies regressed onto DJF NINO3 SSTAs, computed using (a) the NCEP/NCAR Reanalysis (Kistler et al. 2001) for 1961-2001; (b) the CM2.1 1990 control run for years 11-290; (c) the CM2.5 1990 control run for years 11-0270. The zero contour is omitted. Green shading in all panels indicates the positions of the observed extrema over the North Pacific and Canada. Prior to computing the seasonal anomalies and regressions, all time series were detrended by removing a 20-yr running mean.

Delworth et

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